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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 7220**

**BILL NUMBER:** HB 1455

**NOTE PREPARED:** Jan 11, 2013

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Use of Computer Software in Assistance Programs.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Rep. Hale

**BILL STATUS:** As Introduced

**FIRST SPONSOR:**

**FUNDS AFFECTED:** X **GENERAL**  
**DEDICATED**  
**FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** State

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill requires the Office of the Secretary of Family and Social Services Administration (FSSA) to use computer software programs to reduce inefficiencies, identify fraud mistakes, and eliminate duplication in specified assistance programs. The bill requires the FSSA to report annually to the Health Finance Commission concerning the use of the computer software programs.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2013.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** This bill requires the FSSA to use computer software programs to identify fraud for the administration of benefits in the following programs: Medicaid, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), other public assistance programs administered by the FSSA, Medicare, and federal assistance provided by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs or the U.S. Department of Defense.

The FSSA reports the PARIS system is currently used to detect fraud and duplication in assistance programs the agency administers. Requiring the FSSA to utilize PARIS is expected to have no fiscal impact.

Additionally, the bill requires the FSSA to report to the Health Finance Commission annually regarding the implementation and use of the software. The FSSA reports it annually provides updates to the Health Finance Commission on fraud and abuse of assistance programs and that incorporating additional information regarding the use of the PARIS system to detect fraud and abuse would have a negligible impact on workload.

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

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**State Agencies Affected:** FSSA.

**Local Agencies Affected:**

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